

REMARKS

Rejections over Liebenow (US Pat. 6,522,640), Brandt (US Pat. 4,727,535), and Henderson (US Pat. 6,611,681)

Claims 1-21 stand rejected over Liebenow in combination with Brandt and, in the case of claim 9, Henderson. The applicant previously argued that, in Liebenow,

It is noteworthy that the original analog voiceband signal received at the first unit and processed in the CODEC is not itself modulated for transmission to the second unit, but is converted into a digital signal *before* modulation and transmission

(response to office action of Dec. 14, 2005),
and previously amended claim 1 to require that “the base unit includes a transmitter for *analog* modulation of an *analog* voiceband data signal” and that the remote unit correspondingly includes a receiver for “analog demodulation of the analog voiceband signal” (emphasis added). This rendered the claims patentable because

“In Liebenow, the analog voiceband data signal is first converted into digital form before modulation for radio transmission, and therefore the analog voiceband signal is not analog modulated.”

The examiner has now responded by arguing that

Liebenow clearly disclose a transmitter 50 of the transceiver 46 for analog modulation of an analog voiceband data signal received over a telephone line (office action of June 9, 2006)

and that

the claim (claim 1) itself is not narrow enough to prevent the analog voiceband data signal received over the telephone line from being processed such as embedding with error-correction data before being analog modulated for transmission

(Id).

therewith. Each of the dependent claims adds one or more further limitations that enhance patentability, but those limitations are not presently relied upon. For that reason, and not because applicants agree with the examiner, no rebuttal is offered to the examiner's reasons for rejecting the dependent claims.

No fees are believed due at this time. Please apply any charges or credits to deposit account 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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